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The Private Secretary.
Theatergoers who did not attend the play given by the Central Point band at the opera house last Saturday night missed a good performance. The play was given by amateurs, but it was presented in a much better manner than many of the traveling shows which have stopped in the city. The crowd which attended was not large but it was a pleased audience and the Central Point people deserve much praise.

Clemens sells Cut Glass.
Just received a new carload of Drain Tile in 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8-inch sizes. Rogue River Hdwe. Co.
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For Xmas—Sabin has books.
The "FLASH" man is coming. Hear him talk.
Carving Sets from \$1.75 to \$9.00 each. An ideal Xmas present. Rogue River Hdwe. Co.
For your Cut Glass go to 501 Front street. Those beautiful \$18.00 to \$40.00 water sets you see are of the best as represented. Large line of this rich Cut Glass and got to go at your own price. 501 Front street. 12-17-11

The Schuberts.
Music lovers were again given a treat at the opera house on Tuesday night when the Schubert Concert company gave one of their popular entertainments. This company has been in Grants Pass several times in years past and little Tommy Purcell was a favorite. Now little Tommy is grown up and is an accomplished violinist as well as mandolin artist. The singing of the lady quartette was very much enjoyed and the music of the string quintette was especially pleasing, and even though the audience shivered throughout the performance they felt well satisfied with the entertainment. The Commercial Club, under whose auspices the concert was given, has a Murphy horse to shoot a loaded shot at some extent.

Vote of Thanks.
The ladies of the Newman M. E. church wish to extend their sincere thanks to all those who so kindly aided them in giving their New England supper and bazaar on December 3 and helped to make it the complete success it was. This expression of gratitude should have appeared last week, but was omitted through an oversight of the Courier.

Eastern Star Installs.
The regular semi-monthly meeting of Josephine Chapter No. 26, Order of the Eastern Star occurred Wednesday evening and after the regular business and initiation of candidates the installation ceremonies were carried out. The officers for the ensuing year as installed are: Worthy Matron, Mrs. Julia Morine; W. P. Jew X Nelson; Asst. Matron, Mrs. Lily Demaree; Secy., Mrs. Geo. C. Smith; Treas., Mrs. Jas. Holman; Cond., Mrs. Elizabeth Kendall; Asso. Cond., Mrs. Jaa. Wharton; Chaplain, Mrs. Elizabeth Hammill; Marshal, Mrs. Abbie Sampson; Organist, Miss Belle Letcher; Ada, Miss Laura Riggs; Ruth, Mrs. Zoa Stouaker; Esther, Mrs. Anna Cheshire; Martha, Mrs. Ella Calhoun; Electa, Mrs. Virginia Offas; Warder, Mrs. J. T. Tuffs; Sentinel, Stephen Hammill.
The ceremonies were in charge of retiring Worthy Matron Mrs. Geo. Riddle, assisted by Mrs. Kittie Gray. At the conclusion members of the order to the number of 60 or 70 sat down to well filled tables and enjoyed choice viands.

We are glad to notice the deep interest the fruit growers of Ashland and vicinity are taking in the development of the fruit industry of that section. According to the Tidings published in that city there was a large attendance at a meeting held in the city hall there last Saturday. "The room was packed with interested and enthusiastic fruit growers. Prof. O'Gara addressed another meeting at the same place later in the day on live topics pertinent to the interests of orchardists especially, as his remarks dealt with trees and their planting. He was greeted with a larger audience than ever on this occasion, and his practical talks, from the standpoint of an expert on the subject, are the more appreciated on each recurring visit to this vicinity."
For Xmas—Sabin has handbags.
Everything in Toys at the New Racket Store. 12-10-21
A pair of Draw Cut Shears will please your wife or mother for a Christmas present. We guarantee every pair we sell. Rogue River Hdwe. Co.

Horse Shoots Himself.
There are trick horses which are trained to shoot a gun loaded with a blank cartridge but it remains for cert was given, was a financial loser shot gun with such accuracy as to make the charge effective, the result however, was disastrous to the horse and a dog companion, each receiving several leaden pellets in their anatomy. One day last week Alva Gilmore, son of the proprietor of the Murphy store, left his loaded shot gun leaning against the barnyard fence. A horse came up and in nosing the gun knocked it down, discharging the piece and a number of the shot inflicted quite a severe flesh wound on one of the horse's ankles, and three shots hit the dog in the head above the eye. A portion of the charge narrowly missed the owner of the gun. Although both animals are quite severely hurt, they will recover.

Leg Broken in Football Game.
A most deplorable accident occurred on Tuesday evening when Cecil, the 9-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. F. Wittoroff, sustained a broken leg in a game of football. The boys were having a practice game, when one of them fell with such force on the little fellow that the right leg was broken about five inches above the knee. The injury was purely accidental, such as might occur in any game of football, which at its best is a dangerous game. The fracture is a bad one, but at the present time the boy is doing as well as could be expected.

Let Each Do His Part.
It has been said that "he who makes two blades of grass grow where only one grew before is a public benefactor." This is undoubtedly true and yet how few of us undertake this seemingly easy task. The only reason that we do not is, we suppose, that we do not think how important it is to take up small things and do our part in contributing to the welfare of the community.
Public roads and streets are among the more important community interests which deserve our attention. We should be deeply concerned in these matters and at all times be willing to contribute our share in making improvements on these highways, for it concerns each and every one individually.
In some of the leading states of the middle west it is a practice for the owners of farms to turn out and with their neighbors do road work, regardless of the fact that their "road tax" has already been contributed, and the same interest is taken on the streets of small cities. This is the spirit that makes real estate valuable by being easier of access from the country and the homes of the city pleasanter. It is the working out of the good roads problem by a practical demonstration.

A Banner Year for Paving.
The coming year will be the greatest paving year in Medford's history. Already miles of street paving are being planned for, and petitions are being generally signed by property owners for new paving. The paving program in connection with the city beautiful campaign of the ladies of the Greater Medford Club who plan avenues of shade trees throughout the city, will make Medford the most charming and attractive of western cities, both from residence and business viewpoints.
The class of wide-awake and progressive citizens that are making Medford the city of destiny, who realized the increased value of property due to paving and city improvements, have no hesitancy in assuming the necessary financial burden, finds a good exemplar in W. E. Phipps, who, though not a wealthy man, won the title of champion paving advocate, by signing up for 2180 feet of paving patronage on North Riverside avenue. Such action stamps Mr. Phipps as a good citizen, puts to shame the wealthy mossback who refuses to sign for a frontage of 25 or 50 feet—and there are a few of the latter class in Medford.

Mayor Canon and the city council have devised a plan whereby they feel confident of securing a lower rate on pavement during the coming year. It is planned to have all the petitions for pavement signed up at once and the complete program outlined. Then all the contracts will be let together, instead of piecemeal as heretofore, enabling paving concerns to work continuously throughout the season and bid a lower price than possible on one job. Such a quantity of pavement might also justify invasion of the field by other concerns.
Mayor Canon and a special committee will leave soon for California with the object of examining the pavement of California cities and securing competitive bids.

Mt. Lion Equipment Arrived.
The final installation of equipment for the electro-chemical process now being installed at the Mountain Lion mine near Murphy, has been received and it is expected to be in operation within a few days. Superintendent T. J. Brinkerhoff assures the Courier that anyone interested in the electro-chemical process of amalgamation are cordially invited to visit the property any time after December 20.

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Who were the man and son that used four-tined pitchforks down Rogue river last fall in a battle with a huge cross-eyed salmon that was carrying away their finest tomatoes?

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Guaranteed
To wear satisfactorily for 25 Years

If you wish to make your wife, sweetheart or friend a present that you will never be ashamed of, get one or more of the following pieces that are guaranteed for 25 years:

Sugar Shells	\$1.00
Butter Knives	\$1.00
Cold Meat Forks	\$1.50
Pickle Forks	\$1.25
Lettuce Forks	\$1.50
Sliced Tomato Forks, plain finish	\$2.00
Sliced Tomato Forks, gold finish	\$2.25
Smoked Beef Forks	\$1.40
Oyster Forks, set of 6 pieces	\$2.50
Child's Sets, 3 pieces	\$2.00
Oval Bowl Soup Spoons, set of 6 pieces	\$4.50
Fruit Knives, set of 6 pieces	\$1.25
Soup Ladle (Mission Pattern)	\$2.25
Tea Spoons (plain), set of 6 pieces	\$1.75
Tea Spoons (Mission or Holly), set of 6 pieces	\$2.50
Table Spoons (plain), set of 6 pieces	\$3.50
Table Spoons (Mission or Holly), set of 6 pieces	\$5.00
Bullion Spoons, set of 6 pieces	\$4.00
Knives and Forks (plain handles), set of 12	\$5.00
Knives and Forks, (hollow handles, either Mission or Holly finish), set of 12 pieces	\$10.00

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PINCHOT TELLS RAILWAYS TO REFOREST LANDS
The purchase of timber lands and their re-forestation by the railroads of the United States was urged by Gifford Pinchot, chief forester of the department of Agriculture, at a conference of presidents and officials of the leading railroads. Mr. Pinchot suggested this scheme as a means of preserving the forests, and at the same time provide railroad ties and posts for future use.
Replying to the suggestions by Mr. Pinchot, President Mudge, of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific, declared that in view of the possibility that within 50 years the railroads might be under government ownership, the national government should provide for the future needs of the railroads.
There is some strong courting going on in a certain home in Grants Pass. A lovely young lady will soon be making the morning coffee for two. Of course she will use Folger's Golden Gate.
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JUVENILE COURT JUDGE LINDSEY SUED BY SMITH
W. G. Smith, ex-speaker of the Colorado house of representatives, brought suit for \$50,000 damages each against Judge Ben V. Lindsey, of Denver, and Harvey H. O'Higgins, a magazine writer. Smith alleges defamation of character in a series of articles now running under the caption of "The Beast and the Jungle" in an eastern magazine.
The articles, which claim to be a history of inside politics in Denver for the last few years, were prepared by Mr. O'Higgins, the material being obtained from Judge Lindsey.
January 4 to February 18, 1909.
Practical work, lectures and demonstrations will be given in such vital subjects as General Farming, Fruit Culture, Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Poultry-keeping, the Business Side of Farming, Forestry, Carpentry, Blacksmithing, Mechanical Drawing, Cooking, Sewing, Dressmaking, Home Management, etc.
All regular courses begin January 4 and end February 11. Farmers' Week February 14 to 18.
A cordial invitation is extended to all interested.
Good accommodations may be secured at reasonable rates. No age limit above 16 years. No entrance requirements. Prominent lecturers have been secured for special topics. The instructional force of the college numbers 109. Excellent equipment.
A special feature is the Farmers' Week which comes this year February 14 to 18. Lectures, discussions, and a general re-union.
For further information address: Registrar, Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Oregon. 12-3-31
Coffee Percolators at \$2.00, \$2.25 and \$2.75 at Cramer Bros.

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Next Week at
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Have one of those nice
Chairs, Rockers, Dressers
Rugs, Art Squares, Pictures, Buffets
Dining Tables, put aside to be delivered
Christmas Eve to your friends. Our assortment is large and complete.

25% OFF
On all Fancy China and Glassware, including Berry Bowls, Salad Sets, Berry Sets
Fancy Plates, Cups and Saucers, Cut Glass, Bohemian Glass Vases.

Don't Forget the Discount
25 per cent Off

Beautiful Souvenir Given to every purchaser from now to Christmas Eve. Come before our assortment is broken

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